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# MINUTES OF THE 165<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

PRESENT:	His Excellency the Governor, Mr Timothy Foy, OBE
	The Honourable Victor Banks, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Economic Development, Commerce, Tourism and Information Technology
	The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Perin Bradley
	The Honourable Evans Rogers, Minister of Health and Social Development, Lands and Physical Planning
	The Honourable Cora Richardson-Hodge, Minister of Home Affairs and Education
	The Honourable Curtis Richardson, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, Agriculture, Fisheries and Environment
	The Honourable Acting Attorney General, Mr Ivor Greene
	Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council
IN ATTENDANCE:	Mr Cardigan Connor, Hon Parliamentary Secretary Mrs Evalie Bradley, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA Mr Stephen Turnbull, Financial Specialist Mr Ian Ascough, Deputy Director for EU exit, FCO Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN Mr Larry Franklin, PS, EDICTIT Mr Harold Ruan, Chairman, Anglec Board Mrs Shantelle Richardson, Director, Economic Planning Mr Karim Hodge, PS, MICUHAFE Mr Claudel Romney, Managing Partner, BDO Mr Jerrick Evangelista, Senior Manager, Audit and Advisory Services, BDO Mr Vincent Proctor, PPO Mr Leslie Hodge, DLS
ABSENT:	The Honourable Attorney General, Mr Dwight Horsford
EX MIN 18/570	<b>CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES</b>
	Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.
	Council confirmed the Minutes of the 164 <sup>th</sup> Meeting held on Thursday 1 November 2018.

#### MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 18/571 None

#### EX MIN 18/572 BRIEFING BY MR IAN ASCOUGH ON BREXIT

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained. Mr Ian Ascough, Deputy Director for EU exit, working in the FCO joined.

Council welcomed Mr Ascough. He indicated that he had enjoyed his interaction and meaningful discussions with many key persons in the public and private sectors on the island. Ministers shared their views on the possible impact of Brexit.

Mr Ascough stated that he had a very helpful discussion with the RAPF, Immigration and the Naturalisation Officer on document security to look at ways to make all documents secure in an effort to preventing fraud and other dishonest activity.

Mr Ascough noted that the FCO had a dedicated team dealing directly with the concerns of the OTs. Council thanked Mr Ascough for the information.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS

## EX MIN 18/573 DISCUSSION ON PHYSICAL PLANNING BILL

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained. The following persons joined:

Mr Vincent Proctor, PPO Mr Leslie Hodge, DLS

Council:

- (i) noted the following:
  - (a) Physical Planning Bill completed with some minor adjustments to be made;
  - (b) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations completed;
  - (c) Building Code amendment to be done
- (ii) noted the need for public awareness;
- (iii) agreed that the GoA Ministers should sit with the Principal Planning Officer to get a better understanding of the Bill's outline; and
- (iv) further agreed that once public awareness has been done, and legislation completed, it should be brought to Executive Council for consideration and subsequently taken to the House of Assembly for its first reading.

Action: PS, HLPP; PPO; DLS; HON AG; CL, HOA; MINS OF GOV'T

## EX MIN 18/574 EX MEM 18/278 AWARD OF ANGUILLA ISLAND SCHOLARSHIP 2018

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

Council:

- noted that based on the 2018 Scholarship Rank Order Listing and the results details from the Caribbean Examination Council (CXC) Headquarters, Barbados, along with the criteria for the selection of the Island Scholar as set out in Section 85 of the Education Act, Miss Tsani S.T. Rogers has the best claim to the Anguilla Island Scholarship;
- (ii) confirmed Miss Tsani S.T. Rogers' selection for the Anguilla Island Scholarship for 2018;
- (iii) agreed that the scholarship be for the duration of six (6) years beginning September 2018;
- (iv) agreed that the scholarship be tenable at the University of Madison-Wisconsin and pending other university; and
- (v) agreed that the cost of the scholarship should not exceed EC\$600,000.00.

Action: PS, PA; PS, MHA/ED; CEO (acting); TRNG OFF; ESP; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTIT; BD; ACC GEN; HON MIN, MHA/ED

## EX MIN 18/575 EX MEM 18/279 AMENDMENT TO CRITERIA FOR AWARD OF ISLAND SCHOLARSHIP

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

Council:

- (i) having noted the advice of the CXC National Committee, approved the following amended rules for the award of the Island Scholarship:
  - (a) candidates must take subjects at CAPE in two consecutive years;
  - (b) candidates must attain seven Units at Grades I to III during that period; at least four of these must be at Grade I;
  - (c) the seven Units must include Caribbean Studies, Communication Studies <u>and one Unit of Math</u>; at least one of these Units must be at Grade I. The remaining Units must include two two-unit courses; and
- (ii) agreed that these Rules come into effect for the award of the Island Scholarship in 2020 and beyond.

Council authorised the issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the Minutes.

Action: PS, PA; PS, MHA/ED; CEO (acting); TRNG OFF; ESP; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTIT; BD; ACC GEN; HON MIN, MHA/ED

## **ORAL MENTION**

#### EX MIN 18/576 LEAVE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

Council noted that H E The Governor would be on leave from 13 - 21 November 2018.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS

#### EX MIN 18/577 CONSTITUTIONAL AND ELECTORAL REFORM

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

The Hon Minister, MHA pointed out that the constitutional and electoral reform was not being delayed as was being perceived by some persons. She said that the reason for the interim reform is to deal with the important aspects first and to have them amended in the Constitution before proceeding with the other aspects.

Action: PS, MHA; SOE; HON AG; MINS OF GOV'T

#### EX MIN 18/578 ANGUILLA PROGRAMME BY SECTOR

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

Council:

- (i) noted the progress of the Anguilla Programme as of 18 September 2018;
- (ii) noted the large projects and the considerable amount of work to be undertaken; and
- (iii) suggested that if MICUH does not have the capacity to get the work done, engaging the services of the private sector should be considered.

H E The Governor thanked all those involved for the support given to the Anguilla Programme Manager, Governor's Office.

Action: PS, MICUHAFE; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTIT; CPO; BD; MINS OF GOV'T

## EX MIN 18/579 POLICING AT WEST END COMMUNITY

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

H E The Governor undertook to arrange a meeting between the Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Commissioner of Police and himself to discuss community policing at West End.

Action: HE; HON PARL SEC; COP